



### Some Doubt About It.

"Do you think your father is pleased with your engagement to me?" he asked.

"I'm just a little uncertain as to that," she replied.

"Has he said anything about it?"

"Not directly, but after your interview with him the other evening he looked at me a long time very solemnly and then said: 'And I always thought you were a girl of reasonably good judgment, too.'—Chicago Post.

### Strategem.

"I understand that close political friend of yours has been taking money from the opposition," said the alert politician.

"Yes," answered Senator Sorghum; "he and I talked the matter over. All he had to do was to make a few promises, and we concluded that the more of the opposition's money we could get the worse it would be for the opposition."—Washington Star.

### The Brute!

Mrs. Grumbly—What is the difference between exported and transported?

Grumbly—Well, my dear, suppose you were on board a ship that had just sailed for China and I remained at home.

Mrs. Grumbly—Yes; and then—

Grumbly—Then you would be exported and I would be transported.—Chicago Daily News.

### The Rose.

I sent a white rose and a red to her I loved, and wrote: "If I May hope, I pray you wear to-night The rose that's pure and sweet and white; Or if you wish my love to die, And if you love another, wear The red rose that I send, and let Me know my sorrow and forget, And try to love again somewhere." That night she smiled: I hoped to see The white rose I had called my own, And looked, as she was passing me— She wore a yellow rose alone.—Chicago Record-Herald.

### A TECHNICAL TERM.



Tiger—I guess it's almost time those poker players fed the kitty.—Chicago American.

### The Rosebud.

I found a rosebud yesterday. Its tints were rich and soft and rare; Though balmy June is far away, I found a rosebud yesterday— It was her mouth—she let me lay My lips upon the petals there— I found a rosebud yesterday. Its tints were rich and soft and rare.—Chicago Record-Herald.

### Perfectly Right.

Miss Candour—I hear your engagement with Mr. Flightie is broken.

Miss Mugg—Yes; I have cast him off.

Miss Candour—Perfectly right. A man who spends all his time with other girls, and doesn't call to see his affianced wife once in six months, ought to be cast off.—N. Y. Weekly.

### An Unmistakable Sign.

Mrs. Naylor—Well, what did your husband say? Is he going to give you the dress?

Mrs. Naylor—How did you know I had asked him?

Mrs. Naylor—I couldn't help noticing the bad humor he was in when he started to work this morning.—Catholic Standard and Times.

### Rapid Change of Mind.

Mrs. De Mover—Good gracious! This is the noisiest neighborhood I ever got into. Just hear those children screech!

Maid—They're your own children, mum.

Mrs. De Mover—Are they? How the little darlings are enjoying themselves!—Tit-Bits.

### Unsuccessful Diplomacy.

"I offer you my love," said the young man, with bitterness, "and you offer me your friendship and good wishes! No, Pulsatilla, there can be no such reciprocity as that between us two!"

"So; then," said the young woman, coldly, "it's annexation or nothing, is it?"—Chicago Tribune.

### The Holder of a Record.

"How sick I am to hear people prate about college educations being failures. Just see what that young Harvard man has done!"

"Well, what has he done?"

"Beaten the world's record in a potato race."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

### An Unfair Proposition.

Bill—I'll bet you haven't got a dollar you'll lend me until to-morrow?

Jill—Now, here, it's not fair to bet on a certainty, you know.—Yonkers Statesman.

### The Back View.

"But none of the other girls seem to admire my new dress."

"Is that so? Turn around. I didn't realize it was so pretty as that."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

**Mr. Peck Again.**

"Dear me!" said Mrs. Peck, who was reading the paper while Henry waited patiently for a look at it. "Here is a case of a woman who packed up all the furniture and left home while her husband was away at work, and now he can find no traces of her."

And Henry's face lost its expression of patient resignation, taking on the light of a great and buoyant hope. For he had read that women were sometimes influenced by what they saw in the papers.—Baltimore American.

### Her Specialty.

A woman oft drives men to drink. With her prattle and her jargon; Perhaps she cannot drive a tack. But she can drive a bargain.—Chicago Daily News.

### WRONG SORT OF DONATION.



"I have called, sir, to see if you will contribute to our Home for Incurable Children?"

"Yes, rather! There's three of mine upstairs you can take at once, and I'll send the other two round as soon as they come home from school!"—Ally Sloper.

### Working by the Day, Perhaps.

"The world wasn't made in a day," 'tis said Pat, "that wise Providence didn't contract To do a year's work in the job!"—San Francisco Bulletin.

### No Woman Wrote Them.

"Why did the court refuse to accept that woman's letters as evidence?"

"It was decided that they were not genuine."

"Didn't the handwriting experts declare that she wrote them?"

"Yes, but there was evidence to the contrary."

"What was it?"

"The letters contained no postscripts."—N. Y. Herald.

### Fair Bargain.

Uncle Benjamin—What yoh gib me foah mah hoss.

Rastus—Ah'll gib yoh a load o' hay; dat's a fair bargain.

Uncle Benjamin—Yoh give me a load ob hay? An' what d'yoo expect Ah'll do wid the hay an' no hoss to eat it?"

Rastus—Ah'll len' yoh d' hoss till he's got it eat up.—N. Y. Times.

### Two of a Kind.

Platform of a railway station at a Highland village. Train just arrived.

Tourist (to porter)—You don't seem to have many passengers to-day, Dugald?

Porter—Och, no; fery few, fery fery few. Only just the minister and anither auld wife.—Tit-Bits.

### Contrast.

This world is a scene of transitions By which we are woefully vexed. It's a beautiful snow for one minute And it's horrible slush the next.—Washington Star.

### HER PRIVATE OPINION.



Softleigh—"I nevah pwetend to know things I don't know. When I don't know a thing I always say: 'I don't know.'"

Miss Cutting—Quite right, Mr. Softleigh; but how very monotonous your conversation must be.—Chicago Daily News.

### There's the Rub.

"To speak the French tongue isn't hard. Most any bright man can command it."

"The trouble," said he, "that I find Is in making the French understand it."—Philadelphia Press.

### Ready to Bolt.

"My grandmother," she said, "was married when she was 15 and my mother when she was 17."

"Do you think," he asked, edging a little nearer to the door, "that this sort of thing can be hereditary?"—Chicago Times-Herald.

### Cause of Worry.

He—You know, if you worry about every little thing, it's bound to affect your health.

She—Yes, I know. That's one of the things I worry about.—Chicago Tribune.

### Does All the Talking.

"She enjoys conversation, I believe."

"She thinks she does, but as a matter of fact she doesn't know the difference between conversation and a monologue."—Chicago Post.

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## MARKET REPORT.

Cincinnati, Feb. 22.			
CATTLE—Common	2 50	@	4 25
Choice steers	5 85	@	6 25
CALVES—Extra	7 00	@	7 25
HOGS—Ch. packers	6 40	@	6 50
Mixed packers	6 10	@	6 35
SHEEP—Extra	5 25	@	5 50
LAMBS—Extra	6 10	@	6 35
FLOUR—Spring pat.	3 95	@	4 20
WHEAT—No. 2 red.		@	89
CORN—No. 2 mixed.		@	63½
OATS—No. 2 mixed.		@	47
RYE—No. 2		@	65
HAY—Ch. timothy	13 00	@	13 50
PORK—Family		@	15 90
LARD—Steam		@	9 12½
BUTTER—Ch. dairy		@	18
Choice creamery		@	21
APPLES—Choice	4 50	@	5 00
POTATOES	2 65	@	2 75
Sweet potatoes	2 75	@	3 00
TOBACCO—New	5 20	@	23 25
Old	5 70	@	14 25
Chicago.			
FLOUR—Win. patent	3 80	@	4 00
WHEAT—No. 2 red.		@	84½
No. 3 spring	75	@	75½
CORN—No. 2 mixed.		@	62
OATS—No. 2 mixed.	43½	@	44½
RYE—No. 2	60	@	61
PORK—Mess	15 50	@	15 55
LARD—Steam	9 20	@	9 22½
New York.			
FLOUR—Win. patent	3 85	@	4 25
WHEAT—No. 2 red.		@	88
CORN—No. 2 mixed.		@	68½
OATS—No. 2 mixed.		@	50
RYE—Western		@	65½
PORK—Family	17 00	@	17 50
LARD—Steam	9 60	@	9 65
Baltimore.			
WHEAT—No. 2 red.	83¼	@	83¾
Southern	81¾	@	84¾
CORN—No. 2 mixed.	64¾	@	64½
OATS—No. 2 mixed.	48	@	48½
CATTLE—Butchers	5 00	@	5 75
HOGS—Western	6 70	@	6 80
Louisville.			
WHEAT—No. 2 red.		@	88
CORN—No. 2 mixed.		@	66½
OATS—No. 2 mixed.		@	47½
PORK—Mess		@	16 00
LARD—Steam		@	37½
Indianapolis.			
WHEAT—No. 2 red.		@	87
CORN—No. 2 mixed.		@	62½
OATS—No. 2 mixed.	44½	@	45½

## A TOWN'S RAPID GROWTH.

Population Jumped from 600 to 40,000 as a Result of Visit from President Hayes and Party.

Mr. George Clements, of Kansas City, a well-known knight of the sample case, is responsible for the following story, says the Baltimore News:

"Talk about the rapid growth of cities, why, Neosho Falls, Kan., holds the record. I think the town is still on the map, but I won't be sure. At any rate, I remember when the population jumped in one day from 600 to 40,000, and the next day jumped back again. This was merely occasioned by a fair, and not a country fair at that, but simply a little crossroads celebration. It was just after President Hayes had been elected. He was touring the west at the time, and the citizens of Neosho Falls secured a promise from him to attend their fair. The town was fortunately on the line of a railroad, with a service of two trains a day, but when the company learned of the president's proposed visit a gang of workmen at once started to lay sidings. At least a dozen were constructed around the little frame station, together with a Y for the convenience of the engines. When the great day arrived the president was at hand, with several members of his cabinet and a military escort from Fort Riley. The railroad company estimated that 40,000 people visited Neosho Falls that day, and I dare say some of them are talking about it yet. The next day the visitors were all gone, for there were no hotel accommodations, and nothing to feed them with. The gang of workmen came back and tore up the sidings and the Y, and the town again resumed its normal placidity, just as though nothing had happened."

## SOME COSTLY SMOKED MEATS.

Fine Hams and Bacon from Ireland That Rival the Product of Virginia.

"The costliest of all the smoked meats," said a dealer in such things, according to the Chicago Inter Ocean, "are the fine hams and bacon that come from Limerick, Ireland. The prices of these meats may vary slightly from time to time, the hams selling usually, however, at from 33 to 35 cents a pound, and the bacon at 32 or 33 cents a pound."

"These costly smoked meats are made from fine hogs that are fed and tended with scrupulous care. The curing process is a secret. The result is shown in meats of such quality and flavor as to commend them most highly."

"Of course, there are fine hams produced here, also, notably those of Virginia, the finest of which bring 24 cents a pound. Included in the price of the Limerick hams and bacon is a duty of five cents a pound. If you were to add that to the price of the Virginia hams you would raise the cost of them to 29 cents, and adding further the cost of transportation from Europe would bring the Virginia hams pretty close to those of Limerick in price; so that in their original cost they are about the same."

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## Probably.

Only twenty inches of sitting space is to be allotted to each person at the coronation. Dear, dear! think of the titled and massive old ladies who are living monuments to the tissue building properties of roast beef and rare old ale!

As the man remarked when he saw the policeman running: "Somebody is going to get pinched."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

## Returned the Compliment.

Dusty—When I came into the yard the bulldog showed his teeth.

Wraggles—And what did you do?

Dusty—The proper thing; I showed him my heels.—Boston Transcript.

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The enthusiasm with which we speed the parting guest is generally in direct proportion to the length of his visit.—Indianapolis News.

## BEAUTIFUL CHILDREN

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Mrs. Shafer, 436 Pope Ave., St. Louis, Mo., writes:

"In the early part of last year I wrote to you for advice for my daughter Alice, four years of age."

"She has been a puny, sickly, ailing child since her birth. She had convulsions and catarrhal fevers. I was always doctoring until we commenced to use Peruna. She grew strong and well. Peruna is a wonderful tonic; the best medicine I have ever used."—Mrs. Schaffer.

Mrs. C. E. Long, the mother of little Mina Long, writes from Atwood, Colo., as follows:

"We can never thank you enough for the change you have made in our little one's health. Before she began taking your Peruna she suffered everything in the way of cough, colds and croup, but now she has taken not quite a bottle of Peruna, and is well and strong as she has ever been in her life. She has not had the croup once since she began taking Peruna, and when she has a little cold a few doses of



Peruna fixes her out all right. We can never praise it enough."—Mrs. C. E. Long.

Mrs. G. W. Heard, of Howth, Texas, writes to Dr. Hartman in regard to her baby girl, Ruth:

"My little girl had some derangement of the bowels. She was a mere skeleton and we did not think she would ever get well. After giving her less than one bottle of Peruna she was sound and well. Now she has a good appetite and is a picture of health."

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"My son's ears had been affected since he was a babe only a few months old. The last year I thought he had almost lost his hearing and had a local physician treating him for about six weeks. Finally I began giving him your remedy, and after he had taken two bottles he was entirely cured. I cannot praise Peruna enough."—Mrs. G. W. Heard.

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Dr. R. Robbins, Physician and Surgeon of Muskogee, Indian Ter., writes:

"I have been a practicing physician for a good many years and was always slow to take hold of patent medicines, but this winter my little girl and myself were taken with the grip. I was so bad I was not able to sit up. I sent for a doctor, but he did me no good."

"Finally I sent and got a bottle of Peruna and commenced to take it. I took two bottles and my cough was gone and my lungs loosened up and my head became clear. My little girl took the same way."

"It looked as though she would die, she was so sick. I gave her medicine, but it seemed to do her little good, so I sent and got one more bottle of Peruna and commenced to give it to her. It was only a short time until she was getting along all right, so I give your medicine, Peruna, the praise for what it did for me and my dear little daughter."—Dr. R. Robbins.

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